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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FILING OF PATENT APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Docket No.: ITW 7188B

Box Patent Application  
Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Herewith is the patent application of Applicant(s):  
James Thommes

FOR: Method And Apparatus For Receiving A Universal Input Voltage  
In A Welding Power Source

This new application is  
a continuation of, and claims the benefit of the filing date of,  
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/779,044, filed January 6,  
1997, entitled Method And Apparatus For Receiving A Universal  
Input Voltage In A Welding Power Source, which is a continuation  
of, and claims the benefit of the filing date of, U.S. Patent  
Application Serial No. 08/342,378 filed November 18, 1994,  
entitled Method And Apparatus For Receiving A Universal Input  
Voltage In A Welding Power Source, which issued on Feb. 11, 1997,  
as Patent No. 5,601,741.

Including a copy of the prior application as filed, consisting  
of:

Declaration  
1 page Abstract  
24 Pages of Specification and Claims  
4 Sheet(s) of informal drawing

A copy of the change of power of attorney is also enclosed.

The undersigned hereby verifies that the foregoing papers  
are a true copy of what is shown in our records to be the above  
identified prior application, including the oath or declaration  
originally filed.



**Amendments:**

*W* *SUB B7* Please amend the subject application to include the following cross-reference to related application: This is a continuation of Application No. 08/779,044 filed on January 5, 1997, which is a continuation of, and claims the benefit of the filing date of, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/342,378 filed November 18, 1994, entitled Method And Apparatus For Receiving A Universal Input Voltage In A Welding Power Source, which issued on Feb. 11, 1997, as Patent No. 5,601,741.

**Assignment**

The prior application is assigned of record to Illinois Tool Works Inc.

**Copendency of Prior Application:**

A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term of the pending prior application until November 26, 1998.

**Power of Attorney:**

The Power of Attorney in the prior application was changed to the undersigned in papers filed during the prosecution of the prior application.

**THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED  
LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELED  
PER MPEP SEC. 506 AND SEC. 607**

**Fee Calculation:**

Basic Fee (\$760)		=	\$760.00
Total Claims	24 minus 20 = 4 x \$ 18.00 =		+\$ 72.00
Independent Claims	3 minus 3 = 0 x \$ 78.00 =		+\$ 0.00
	<b>TOTAL FILING FEES:</b>		<b>= \$832.00</b>

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